

Harrison Street Sidewalk Project Update

Project Update:

On Sept. 30, the City of Rockville received approval from the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) to advertise the Harrison Street Sidewalk Project. SHA has administrative oversight because the project is funded by the Safe Routes to Schools grant. Because approval was only recently received, the project will not be constructed this year as intended. Alternatively, the city will use the remainder of the year to bid and award the project, and to work on other administrative aspects necessary before construction starts in the spring.

A few weeks before construction is scheduled to begin, the city will send another advisory to the affected properties with information about expected impacts, the contractor who was awarded the project and contact information for the city inspector assigned to the project.

Project Description:

The city will install a five-foot-wide, pervious concrete sidewalk on the south side of Harrison Street. The curb on the south side of the street will be relocated north by five feet, narrowing the roadway pavement to accommodate the sidewalk and lessen the roadside impacts. The project also includes driveway apron replacements on the south side of the road, minor storm drain modifications at the southeast corner of Harrison Street and Forest Avenue, and pavement mill and overlay of the entirety of Harrison Street.

Funding Note:

Funding for construction of the project will be covered by a federal grant to the city under SHA's Safe Routes to Schools Program. The estimated construction cost is \$270,000.

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